

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4586
ANSWERED ON:18.04.2001
CIVIC AMENITIES IN CANTONMENT AREAS
RAMDAS ATHAWALE

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of funds provided to Cantonment Boards in various States including Maharashtra for undertaking construction works during each of the last three years and till date, State-wise;
- (b) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to solve the problems relating to water and power supply in these cantonment areas; and
- (c) the schemes of the Government to make these Boards more effective and the estimated expenditure likely to be incurred thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JASWANT SINGH)

(a) The details of funds provided during the last three years by the Central Government to Cantonment Boards for undertaking various construction works are at Annexure-I attached.

(b) & (c): Power supply to Cantonment areas is catered to by the State Electricity authorities and not by the respective Cantonment Boards. However, in view of the power shortage, prevailing in different States, Cantonment Boards have been advised to explore scope for adopting Non-conventional Energy sources. Cantonment Boards, which are autonomous local bodies, under the Ministry of Defence, have drawn their own plans of action for improvement in all civic amenities, including water supply. The Central Government provides financial assistance in the form of special 'grants-in-aid', as and when, schemes for the improvement of civic amenities etc. are received. Rs. 22.43 crores has been proposed for the current financial year towards Central assistance to the deficit Cantonment Boards.

ANNEXURE-REFERRED TO IN THE REPLY GIVEN IN PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4586 FOR 18.4.2001

Name of the State/Board	Purpose	Funds Provided	(Rs. in lakhs)
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98-99	99-2000	2000-2001	
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Maharashtra Aurangabad	Underground Sewerage Scheme	30.00	28.08
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Madhya Pradesh Saugor	Water Supply Scheme	65.52	
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Jharkhand Ramgarh	Water Supply Scheme	46.02	100.21
Uttaranchal			

Clement Town	Construction of roads	04.00	
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Ranikhet	Construction of roads	12.00	
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